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SUBJECT: KAGNEW UTILITY AND MAINTENANCE SERVICES

REFS: (A) NAVCOMMUNIT ASMARA DTG 141036Z AUG

(B) COMNAVTELCOM DTG 151813Z AUG

(C) AMEMB ADDIS 9743 DTG 16084Z AUG

(D) NAVCOMMUNIT ASMARA DTG 210611Z AUG

(E) COMNAVTELCOM DTG 292314Z AUG

1. AFTER FORMULATING CONTRACT PROPOSAL FOR PROVISION
OF POWER, WATER AND MAINTENANCE SERVICES TO IEG ELEMENTS
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OCCUPYING TRACT A & PORTIONS OF TRACT E RETURNED TO IEG, (REFTEL A), PA&E SUBSEQUENTLY DECIDED IT DID NOT WISH TO CONTRACT DIRECTLY WITH IEG WITHOUT GUARANTEE OF PAYMENT FROM USG (REFTEL D). SINCE THERE IS NO LEGAL BASIS FOR PAYMENT GUARANTEE, MOST FEASIBLE ALTERNATIVE APPEARS TO BE PROVISION OF UTILITIES VIA NAVCOMMU ASMARA (PARA. 3, REFTEL C) PROVIDING ACCEPTABLE ADMINISTRATIVE AND FUNDING PROCEDURES CAN BE CONCLUDED.

2. NAVCOMMU ASMARA HAS THE CAPABILITY FOR PROVIDING REQUESTED UTILITY SERVICES. TO THE EXTENT THAT IEG DOES NOT CONSTRUCT THIS ACTION AS UNFAIRLY COMPETING WITH IEG UTILITY MONOPOLY, IT IS IN THE BEST INTERESTS OF USG TO PROVIDE ADEQUATE UTILITY SUPPORT TO ELEMENTS

OF IEG OCCUPYING PORTIONS OF TRACT A AND E.

3. PROVISION OF UTILITY SERVICES IS NOT OPERATIONALLY RELATED TO NAVCOMMUNIT MISSION THEREFORE ALL ETHIOPIAN AND US ELEMENTS RECEIVING UTILITY SUPPORT WILL BE REQUIRED TO RENDER ADVANCE PAYMENTS. RECONCILIATION BETWEEN ESTIMATED AND ACTUAL CONSUMPTION AND BILLING SHOULD BE ACCOMPLISHED ON QUARTERLY BASIS. UTILITY RATES AND CHARGES WILL BE CALCULATED ON THE BASIS OF ACTUAL FULL COSTS TO NAVCOMMU SO THAT U.S. NAVY RECEIVES FULL REIMBURSEMENT, TO INCLUDE PERSONNEL TIME, COMPREHENSIVE COSTS, EQUIPMENT AMORTIZATION, ETC. FOR ALL SERVICES FURNISHED.

4. WOULD APPRECIATE EMBASSY AND/OR CONGEN ASMARA ENSURING INSTITUTION AND IMPLEMENTATION OF WHATEVER ADMINISTRATIVE ARRANGEMENTS ARE NECESSARY TO ENSURE EQUITABLE ALLOCATION OF COSTS AMONG AND TIMELY PAYMENT BY ALL UTILITY CONSUMERS.

5. FOLLOWING AGREEMENT AMONG ALL PARTIES ADDIS AND ASMARA, REQUEST COPY OF CONTRACT AND ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES BE SUBMITTED TO DEPARTMENT FOR STAFFING PRIOR TO ACCEPTANCE. KISSINGER

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